

Purpose

To apply Scodix Quick Separation Photoshop Actions for creating Scodix image separations.

Background

Photoshop actions are simply pre-recorded tasks, saved in an .atn file for future reuse. They allow you to automate Photoshop steps, and make your workflow more efficient.

Once loaded, the Scodix Photoshop Actions can be launched by the click of a button from the Photoshop Actions window, or by using keyboard shortcuts. Using one of the Scodix Photoshop Actions is easy to apply to a CMYK image, and speeds up the time to produce Scodix image separations.

Getting Started

- You will need Adobe Photoshop
- We can send you the Photoshop Actions
- For Photoshop CS4 and up: Scodix Quick Separation Photoshop Actions CS4 and up.zip
- For Photoshop CS3 and down: Scodix Quick Separation Photoshop Actions CS3 and down.zip
- Unzip the Photoshop Actions file, and save it somewhere on your computer.

Procedure

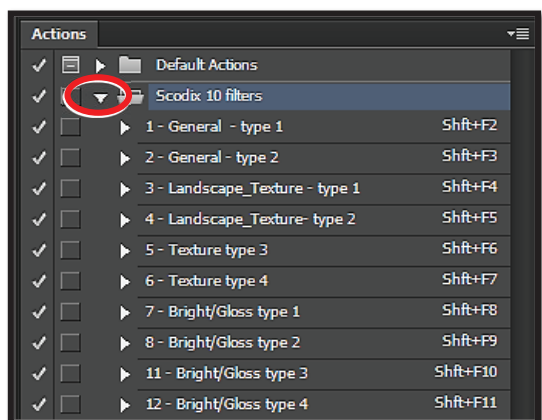
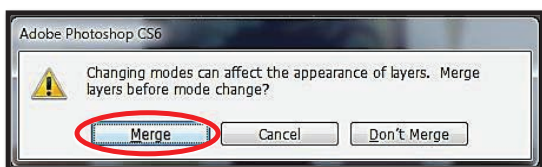
Importing Scodix Actions into Photoshop (Actions Script). Open Photoshop, and click Windows > Actions. Click the Open List icon and click Load Actions.

Browse to the Photoshop Action file (*.atn), which you downloaded earlier and load it. Your Scodix Actions are ready to use!

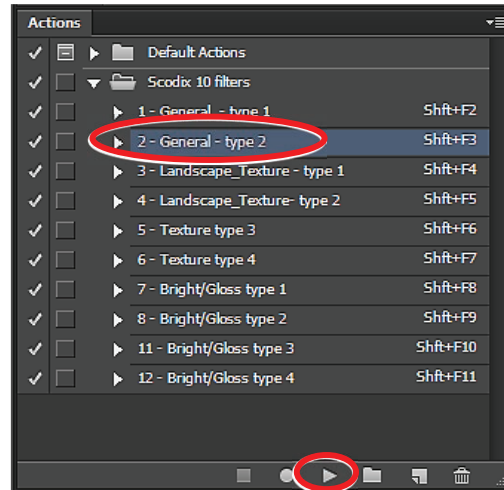
Applying A Scodix Photoshop Action To An Image

Open image in Photoshop. Note: Scodix Actions can be applied to any PDF, bitmap or raster image (Jpeg, TIFF, PNG).

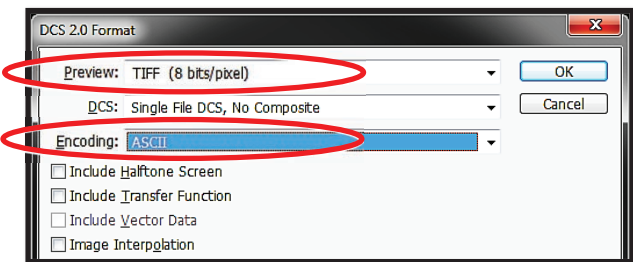
1. If the image has layers, merge them by clicking **Layer > Merge Layers** and click **Merge**.
2. Click **Window > Actions** to open Actions Window. Click Expand List to view 10x Scodix Filters



3. To apply a Scodix Photoshop Action, select the Action from the Action window and click the **Play** button.

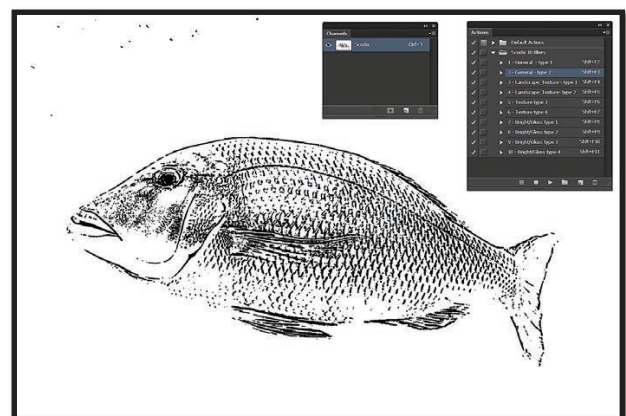


Click **File > Save As** and the image as an **EPS file**, select the following options: - **Format:** Photoshop DCS 2.0 (*.EPS). **Preview:** Tiff (8 bits/pixel). **Encoding:** ASCII



SCODIX Filter Examples

Example - Before & After Applying the #2 - General - Type 2



Sample Image & The Effect Of Scodix Action Applied

The darker the areas of the image will be where the Scodix will be applied with a higher intensity of polymer (higher/glossier build).



Using Scodix Image in Adobe Indesign / Illustrator

The **Scodix Image** (.eps file), that you created using the Photoshop Actions, can be placed directly into Indesign / Illustrator. When importing the **Scodix Image** (.eps file), the 'Scodix' Swatch Colour is automatically recognised as a Spot Colour.

Open the original CMYK file in an Illustrator / Indesign layer. Create another layer and place the **Scodix Image** into this other layer.

Export into print ready PDF with 3mm bleed & crop marks.

Note: Scodix requires at least 3mm margin from the edge (cannot bleed) and keep away from fold lines.

Scodix Action	Sample
<p><u>General 1</u></p> <p>Detail: Low Sharpness: Low Texture: Rough Contrast: Low</p>	
<p><u>General 2</u></p> <p>Detail: High Sharpness: High Texture: Fine Contrast: High</p>	
<p><u>Landscape Texture 1</u></p> <p>Detail: Medium Sharpness: Medium Texture: Fine Contrast: Medium</p>	
<p><u>Landscape Texture 2</u></p> <p>Detail: Low Sharpness: Low Texture: Medium Contrast: Low</p>	
<p><u>Texture type 3</u></p> <p>Detail: Medium Sharpness: Medium Texture: Rough Contrast: Low</p>	

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<p><u>Texture type 4</u></p> <p>Detail: Low Sharpness: Medium Texture: Medium Contrast: Medium</p>	
<p><u>Bright/Gloss type 1</u></p> <p>Detail: Medium Sharpness: Medium Texture: Fine Contrast: Medium</p>	
<p><u>Bright/Gloss type 2</u></p> <p>Detail: Low Sharpness: Low Texture: Rough Contrast: Low</p>	
<p><u>Bright/Gloss type 3</u></p> <p>Detail: Low Sharpness: Medium Texture: Rough Contrast: Low</p>	
<p><u>Bright/Gloss type 4</u></p> <p>Detail: High Sharpness: High Texture: Fine Contrast: High</p>	